GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:415
ANSWERED ON:30.03.2017
Incentives to Sportspersons
Noor Smt. Mausam

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to offer gainful employment to the retired sportspersons and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government proposes to extend the pension scheme to the sportspersons who have represented the country at International events and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the number of schemes / rewards announced by the Government along with the number of their recipients during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise and sport-wise?
ANSWER

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the table of the House.
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 415 FOR ANSWER ON 30.03.2017 REGARDING "INCENTIVE TO SPORTSPERSONS" BY SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR, HON'BLE MP
(a) : Recruitment of meritorious sportspersons against vacancies reserved for sports quota is done in Central Government offices in terms of extant instructions of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension. In terms of existing instructions of the Government, upto 5% of direct recruit vacancies in Group 'C' and erstwhile Group 'D' are reserved for meritorious sportspersons in Central Government offices.
Further, Ministries / Department of Government of India can recruit meritorious sportspersons in any year in relaxation of the recruitment procedure, to the extent that these, including all other reservations under existing orders, do not exceed 50% of the total number of vacancies proposed to be filled by direct recruitment. Central Government organizations and Public Sector undertakings recruit meritorious sportspersons including medal winners in international sports events from time to time for which they advertise in Employment News and other newspapers.
Sports persons, who have represented India in Olympics / Paralympics, are also offered employment as coaches in Sports Authority of India (SAI) subject to his application, available vacancies and other applicable terms and conditions.
(b) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports provides pension to meritorious sportspersons after they retire from active sports career as per the provisions under the scheme of Pension to Meritorious Sportspersons.
(c) The Department of Sports gives mainly seven awards to the sportspersons, coaches, entities promoting sports development in the country and universities with the best all round performance in sports during the year of award. The year-wise and sports-wise details of recipients of the aforementioned awards are given in the Annexure. State wise data is not maintained.
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